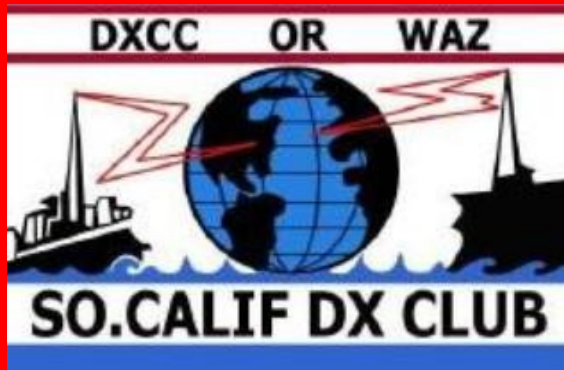




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May 2010



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The Southern California DX Club Newsletter est. 1947

***"If you need him
get in there and
work him"***

The Southern California DX Club is a group of dedicated men and women active in the amateur radio community who enjoy communicating over the air with other radio amateurs around the world.

The newsletter is published every month and is released to its members on about the first of each month. Amateur and DX related letters, news and pictures are welcome and will be published as time and space permit.

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Any questions regarding this newsletter or it's articles should be addressed to the editor, Bill
n6rv@scdxc.org

Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 PM except April, June and December.

Please check the club web site for events and details at
<http://www.scdxc.org>

If you are in the area please say hello on our repeater
W6AM/R145.48,(-) 100Hz PL



NEXT MEETING

May 13th

Program for May

Marty Woll

Antenna Ordinances Updated

DXer of the Year

Ernie Nairne, N6HY

Clipperton Award Winner

Rick Soikkeli, AE6RS

. The Visalia Story!

**. Bob is back from Iraq!
Did you work them?**

. Gary Stilwell, KI6T SK

. Vince Thompson, K5VT SK

**Making friends all over the world using the magic of Amateur Radio.
Sponsors of the International DX Convention at Visalia, since 1949**

SCDXC extends our deepest sympathy to the families of two of our members. They were great friends. They have enriched our lives and added greatly to the enjoyment of this, our great hobby. Just as in every aspect of life you brought joy, true compassion, and love for adventure. Well done. Rest well.

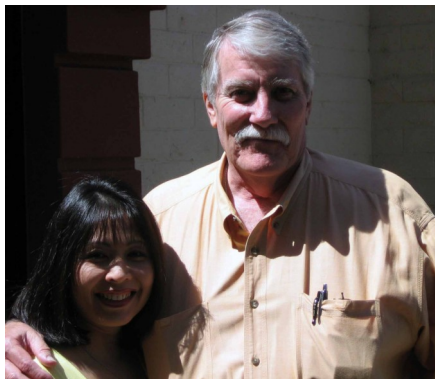
... - - **Gary Stilwell, KI6T**



I wanted to pass along my saddest of news. My father, Gary, KI6T, passed away from a brain hemorrhage on Monday March 29th. He did not suffer and went out just the way he would have wanted having just participated in the WPX Contest. I know he loved being a part of the club.

Glenn, WR6O

Vince Thompson, K5VT



It is sad to report that well-known DXer and doctor Vince Thompson, K5VT, became a Silent Key (SK) at the age of 67, 11:30 AM Saturday, April 24th. He was diagnosed with acute myeloid leukemia (M5) four weeks prior and has been in the hospital since early March. Vince will not only be remembered as a great doctor, but as an avid DXer who was on many DXpedition teams and activated many rare locations.

Vince was licensed in 1958 as a boy in Oklahoma City. His novice call was KN5KEZ, soon to K5KEZ. He was a physician who specialized in female oncology. His skill with a scalpel, and his knowledge of medicine made him the doctor that other doctors went to see. He was recognized as one of the top ten doctors in Phoenix by Phoenix Magazine a few years ago. There are many women alive today because Vince knew just where to cut and where not to. His bedside manor was well known. He always did his own rounds, if it meant getting home at midnight. He loved his work. He also loved amateur radio. CW was his choice, and he was just as skilled with a bug as a scalpel. He was able to visit many countries, putting some on for the first time. His travels are almost legendary. Vince was a member of the ARRL DXAC, an honorary Life Member of his club, the CADXA. He was DXer of the year in 1993. Vince was one of the three founders of the well known Voo Doo Contest Group, and earned the nickname of Voo Dude.

Sadly, Vince learned of his illness, Acute Myeloid (Myelogenous) Leukemia in early March. He went in to the hospital for intense chemo. He lost the battle on April 24, 2010.

May he rest in Peace.

CADXA has a memorial website for Vince. Please visit:

<http://www.cadxa.org/News/SilentKeys/K5VT/tabid/85/Default.aspx>



THE PREZ SEZ

**Larry Mallek, K6YUI,
President – Southern California DX
Club**
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Well here we are again, almost late with a few words from the President's desk, or in my case a clear spot in front of the radio. As everyone knows by now we all had a great time at the convention in Visalia. The vendor room had many items, new and old for us to check out. The talks were full house all the way. Food and drink, well what can I say; I will be back next year.

AT 0800 on Saturday morning I got to give the welcoming speech, introduce the ARRL Division Director, DX visitors and the 5 vendors with new items to all the people that were able to get up early. The room was full.

I think the highlight of the convention for me was Saturday night when I got to give out the Clipperton Award to Rick - AE6RS, and the DXer of the Year to Ernie -N6HY.

I hope everyone is getting ready for the club picnic on June the 5th. Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, and Chicken, plus drinks supplied by the club. Remember, you can bring some side dishes like Mel's (K6SY) famous Chili. Also remember to bring some extra green stamps as we will be having our regular drawing plus we have an Icom 7000 transceiver that we bought from Ham City at a great price. \$10.00 a square and we will have the signup board at the May meeting.

That's it for now, so I hope to see everyone at the meeting on May 13th.

**Larry Mallek K6YUI
President SCDXC**

Treasurer's Report

Club financial information is available on request. Contact the treasurer.

Officer Guidelines

In 2000 Jim Zimmerman, N6KZ, and Chuck Constantine, KR6C generated a set of guidelines for club officers. Steve Shane, W6NRQ, headed up an effort to update these guidelines. The board reviewed and approved them. They are posted at the site



Officer Guidelines

www.scdxc.org/download/Officer_Guidelines_Rev-A.pdf

VICE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

John Schroeder, N6QQ,

Vice President – Southern California DX Club

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Hello Everyone!

Well did everyone have a good time at the convention? Every person I met said they enjoyed it immensely! Wow! There were so many great prizes. One of these years I am going to win one! From what I heard the Saturday bus tour was a wonderful success. The tour was excellent as well as the food! QSL card checking went really well. I checked a little over 1,000 cards and Arnie, N6HC, also had a lot of business. The line this year was a little smaller but the number of cards per person was up! Did you meet any of the DX at the convention? Here is a sampling of the countries I came across: HC8, P40's, JW, PJ2, VE's, JA's, KL7, SM, LA, ZL, G3, XE, DL, and ZF1. The vendor room was packed with goodies. I checked out the new FT-5000. Flex-radio had their latest edition, the 1500, a QRP SDR. There was lots of action at the K3 booth with their new panadaptor. SteppIR had their shorty three element 20-6 antenna up on the tower. The vendors said they were selling their wares like hotcakes! Thanks committee for the great event!

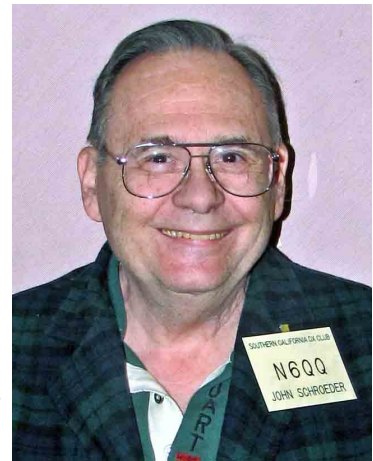
Our past president and club member, Marty Woll, N6VI, will be giving a talk titled Antenna Ordinance's Update - 2010. This should be really interesting particularly for those of us putting up or modifying towers. Marty is the Vice Director of the ARRL - Southwestern Division, and an active contester and DXer as well as being heavily involved in emergency communications.

For the May Raffle, I have picked up a 23" View Sonic LCD monitor, and a Cannon Ink-jet printer. Plus lots of other needed items. As I said I select the prizes that I want to win! It appears that others want to take these gems home too! The raffles this year have been profitable. That is a good thing. A lot of our budget is spent on raffles, the picnic, summer bash, and the Holiday Party. When the prizes attract a whole group of raffle purchases the costs of these activities are defrayed and good prizes bring in good attendance. We have been standing room only every meeting this year! I hope to see everyone there on Thursday, May 13th!

About the picnic! Remember it is in June! Larry, K6YUI, claims no one will go hungry. Ham-City has given the club a great discount on an IC-7000 for the main prize. Yahoo! Another chance for (me) to win. OK... if you buy a square you will get another chance too! Remember to tell Ernie, N6HY, and the Ham City crew thanks the next time you go in to buy your IC 7800 :-)! Tickets for the IC-7000 will be \$10.00 each. The regular raffle will also be at the June picnic.

The biggest contest this month is the CQ CW WPX contest (May 29-30). If you like operating in the CQP contest, try the 7QP contest on May 1 - 2. RTTY folks will like the Alessandro Volta RTTY contest on May 8-9.

See you at the May meeting!



DXer of The Year
Congratulations Ernie
N6HY!
The Clipperton
Award
Congratulations Rich
AE6RS



THE EDITOR

Bill Kendrick, N6RV,
Editor – Southern California DX Club
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VISALIA!!!!

So how was it! Beckie and I had a great time. We visited with friends both new and old. We ate and rested! Well ... almost rested. It seemed like it was over in an instant and we were on the road home again.

The high point of the convention for me was the CW Pile Up Contest. Tom, N0SS, from KCDXC, brewed up one tough pile up file. We had 38 participants. That is a little light but it was at 8:30 AM on Saturday. Thanks to Mel, K6SY, we had a great audio system. Members from both SCDXC, SDDXC, and CADXA helped out. The number one spot went to K1DG who copied 35 calls. That is a pretty good number considering we were in a large hall with a speaker. Next year it will be twelve at a time with headphones.

The actual event was not the reason I claim it as the high point of the convention. This year instead of the prize going to the number one spot it was decided by a raffle where the top 5 spots received extra tickets. The prize was an N3ZN custom hand made brass paddle. The winner was drawn at the Saturday night banquet. KI6DIL, Isaac, wound his way up to the front stage. The only problem was no one could see him! Being only 11 years old his head was at about the average shoulder height of the seated adults. When everyone realized the age of the winner a roar and standing ovation erupted! I am sure Isaac will carry that delightful memory forward for several years to come. He is one of six hams in his family and it was their first trip to Visalia. What a welcome. Poetic justice did not stop there. Isaac was not the youngest licensed attendee. A young lady in attendance had him beat by one day! Well they both went home with great memories and wonderful prizes. Now that is a story worth telling!

Look at the picture tour of IDXC 2010 shot by our illustrious club photographer, Keith, K6LD. The prizes were off the hook and the ticket barrel was filled to overflowing! The vendors had many new items which seized the attention and wallets of the attendees (*Yours truly succumbed to a SteppIR DB-18E*) The talks were standing room only and both attitude adjustments, the banquet and breakfast were great times filled with great memories with great friends!

It was another magical event. Thank you everyone for all the hard work. You see the success and it draws you into joining and contributing. That was the motivation of every committee member and convention helper. The joy of being part of something great is always the biggest reward!

New Members

I have to thank Keith, K6LD, for the great photo coverage of the meetings. We have a steady stream of visitors and new members every month. Welcome! We hope you find our unique club inviting and enjoyable. The group is exceptional and your membership will add to our quality!

Please welcome new members:

Gabriel Calfas
K6AWB

Diana Feinberg
AI6DF

Linda Souder
KD6HYN

Lloyd Hendrickson
K6NQY

David Lopez
KN6OP

Stan Thornton
KI6QM

Randy Johnson
W6SJ

Dale Piedfort
KB7UB

Mary Gray
KH7VZ

***Make sure you meet
and greet them at the
next meeting!***

73, de N6RV

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RUMORS ON THE BAND

A plethora of announcements, rumors, and serious DX fun

There are only a few DXpeditions during May but they are real winners! Look for the Central African Republic, Seychelles, Maldives, and Palestine this month! The CQ WPX CW Contest this month will provide many DX opportunities. Listen on Six Meters. Our first E layer opening to Hawaii was in April. Many up north caught ZL and VK openings! Six Meters requires some dedication. The openings can be short!

YI9PSE Iraq - Kurdistan

Bob is back from Iraq! We had a chance to sit and talk with him. He loved the trip and would gladly go there again. Over 50,000 QSOs were made. It was tough for the West Coast. The team did concentrate on the high demand areas. A solar flare pretty much killed propagation. Rich, W6VX, worked them on 15 meters and were loud on 30 meters.

Paul, N6PSE, wrote about some highlights of the trip:

Kurdistan was very safe, friendly and warm. The Kurds have strong affection for Americans as we protected them from Saddam Hussein. We were never in any danger. We drank tea with the Kurds at every opportunity.

The team had fun and operated very well together. All sponsor provided equipment performed very well. We had a lot of fun working W6/W7 stations, which was one of our major goals. We gave a "new one" to many.

The team ate well, and Bob provided the Heineken. The team seemed to prefer to operate over sleeping! We have quite a Customs story to tell. We negotiated a request for \$2000 down to \$54.!! Bob can tell you about that, he was there too!

Thanks Paul, Bob, and the rest of the team. You did a great job and it will be great to hear about your adventures soon! Check out the story and pictures at: <http://www.yi9pse.com/>

Blue indicates rare entities and **Red** indicates SCDXC member participation . As always you have to turn on your radio !

Useful DX Sites

N0HR DXpedition Map

www.n0hr.com/wk34/

The DX Zone

www.dxzone.com/catalog/DX_Resources/

The Daily DX

www.dailydx.com/

Announced DX Ops

www.ng3k.com/misc/adxo.html

DXing.info

[/www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/](http://www.dxing.info/dxpeditions/)

DX 425 News

www.425dxn.org/dxped/

Dx-info.de

www.dx-info.de

DX Italia DX News

www.marioi2mqp.it

Call	QTH	Start Date	End Date	Information	Website
ZL7J	Chatham Island	Now	5/3/2010	JH1HRJ 160-10 SSB, CW	-
ZS8M	Marion Island	Now	4/1/2011	ZS1HF	-
S79LR	Seychelles	Now	5/7/2010	RA9LR Low Bands; Digital, RTTY, CW, <SSB	-
5X7JD	Uganda	Now	5/27/2010	N2OPR	-
8Q7SR	Maldives	8/8/2010	5/23/2010	DL5JAG	-
TL0A	Central Afr. Rep.	5/13/2010	5/26/2010	DJ8NK F6EXV; 40-6m, maybe 160 80m RTTY, CW	-
5W0OX	Samoa	5/18/2010	5/19/2010	UX0HX RK3FA UT5UY UT1HF US7UX UR3HR 160-10m CW SSB Digital	http://www.uz1hz.com/pacificodysey.html
VK9CLH	Lord Howe Island	5/21/2010	5/31/2010	VK2CCC 160 80m CQ WPX CW	http://www.qrz.it/ly1df/vk9clh.htm
E4X	Palestine	5/28/2010	6/6/2010	EA2RY EA5FX EA7AJR EA7KW F5CWU F6ENO F9IE IN3ZNR UT7CR 160-6 CW SSB RTTY	http://www.dxfriends.com/e4x/

DX ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Celebrate the Successes of Our Fellow Members!

N6RV 600 Cards Submitted

Since I was on a roll I decided to take a one week break from the convention duties and submit my pile of cards. John, N6QQ, checked the whole lot. He found four mistakes in my spreadsheet which he graciously fixed and sent it off to Newington. The result should put me at 337 current and 349 with deleted. I still have Penguin Island to submit. Also I will be receiving 5BDXCC that is over 20 years old and I am around 1300 in the DXCC Challenge. Boy! You know you can get some things done when you are retired. I am ready to build a new house! Let me at it!

SCDXC WAZ and DXCC Standings (N6RV)

The first of the two large numbers represent the number of confirmed zones on the 9 HF bands 160-10 (less 60 meters). The next column contain the following codes:

M **Mixed**
P **Phone**
C **CW**
R **RTTY**
5 **5 Band**

If you have any information to post please email me:

N6RV@SCDXC.ORG

WAZ STADINGS

	<u>9B / 5B</u>	<u>Awards</u>
EU7SA	355 / 200	M/5
N6AW	355 / 200	M/P/C/5
WA5VGI	352 / 200	M/P/C/5
W6VX	352 / 199	
K6FG	344 / 200	M/P/C/R/5
W6SR	342 / 200	M/P/C//5
W8DX	339 / 200	M/5
K6YUI	337 / 200	M/P/C/R/5
W6YOO	303 / 200	M/P/C/5
K6YRA	280 / 200	P/5
KC6X	278 / 200	M/C/5
K6LD	271 / 172	M/P
N6RV	266 / 173	M/P/C
KR6C	264 / 166	M/C
KJ6Y	261 / 172	
WD6L	248 / 200	M/P/5
K6SY	246 / 173	P
K6GXO	227 / 193	M
N6OU	220 / 200	M/5
N6DHZ	214 / 160	P
KH6DX/m	210 / 184	
K2PLF	191 / 191	
K6KII	191 / 177	M
W6NRQ	180 / 147	M/P
WA6BOB	152 / 136	M
K6IRA	118 / 102	
W3SE	102 / 112	
K6VC	96 / 96	P
W6EA	92 / 86	
N6VNI	86 / 64	
KA6TTV	82 / 67	
N6UC	78 / 78	M
W6IRD	67 / 64	M/P
N6GIL	49 / 43	
W6DCK	40 / 40	P
WB6PSY	40 / 40	P
K6JW	40 / 40	M/P
K6IRD	39 / 34	
K6YR	39 / 39	
KT6LA	36 / 36	
NZ6L	36 / 36	
N6HE	36 / 34	
W4EF	29 /	
N6AWD		M
N6HC		M/P/C
KB6KTV		P
W6OES		M
K8RD		C
K6UNR	/ 200	M/P/5

DXCC STANDINGS

	<u>TOT / CUR</u>
K6KII	382 / 338
JA1BK	377 / 338
K6YRA	372 / 338
N6UC	365 / 338
K6YUI	360 / 338
K6EXO	360 / 335
N6AW	355 / 337
W6HT	354 / 338
W6SR	353 / 338
WA6WZO	352 / 338
K8RD	351 / 338
K5KT	350 / 338
K6FG	350 / 338
K6GXO	350 / 338
N6RV	350 / 337
K2PLF	349 / 338
K6IPV	349 / 331
W8DX	348 / 337
W6OM	347 / 337
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K6LD	343 / 338
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WB6PSY	342 / 333
EU7SA	340 / 336
KB6KTV	340 / 335
W6YOO	340 / 334
WA5VGI	342 / 336
KR6C	337 / 335
N6OU	334 / 329
N6HC	333 / 328
K6UNR	332 / 331
W6QE	332 / 324
W6IRD	327 / 324
KJ6Y	327 / 323
K6SY	312 / 310
AD6KQ	299 / 299
WD6L	295 / 292
W6HB	291 / 285
N6DHZ	286 / 284
W6NRQ	284 / 284
N7CQQ	268 / 266
K6JW	253 / 251
K6YR	244 / 244
K6DJ	236 / 236
K6VC	227 / 227
K6IRD	219 / 219
K6HCJ	202 / 202
WA6BOB	202 / 198
KT6LA	161 / 161
N6VNI	158 / 158
KA6TTV	145 / 145
N6HE	145 / 140
K6OGO	142 / 142
W6EA	138 / 138
W6WVW	134 / 134
W4EF	132 / 132
K6LX	125 / 125
WA6NOL	112 / 111
NZ6L	27 / 27

SPURIOUS OUTPUTS

Comments, Announcements, and Interesting Tid-Bits Submitted by Members

Thanks From Bob Lochner, W9KNI (N6OT)

I went to my post office box today and received the envelope containing the Elecraft Gift Certificate. Thanks very much indeed for handling this! I've been attending conventions now for 50 years and the best thing I ever won was a pair of side cutters. You and Elecraft surely made my day! My next message will be to Elecraft to thank them as well. Sorry I was not present for the drawing I had to leave to go home. I was driving, and Grants Pass, Oregon, my home is 525 miles from Visalia so I ate breakfast and hit the road.

Again, my thanks!

73

Bob Locher, W9KNI

W5KUB Dayton Podcast (W6NRQ)

We are less than one month away from our live streaming broadcast of the Dayton Hamvention. This is our 8th year to broadcast and we have viewers in over 150 countries.

In addition to the video, there is a chat room where hams around the world can chat with us and each other.

We have tons of prizes. We have a GRAND PRIZE this year. It is the Yaesu FT-950 HF/6mtr transceiver. And if you are logged into the chat room when we announce the grand winner you will receive a BONUS prize of a Yaesu VX-170 handheld. We have numerous other prizes such as Comet antenna, Diawa watt meters, Heil Mics and boom sets, \$500 gift certificates towards Alpha Amps, to just mention a few prizes. We will be giving these prizes out when our trip starts at 1300 UTC on Wednesday May 12 and continue until we get back home on Sunday May 16th . You can start entering TODAY for the grand prize at <http://w5kub.com>

Come on over and visit our site today and start chatting with hams around the world.

Thanks,

Tom W5KUB

<http://w5kub.com>

Poincare Puzzle Solved (W6MPB)

Urban relates another interesting story:

World's cleverest man turns down \$1million prize after solving one of mathematics' greatest puzzles...

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/worldnews/article-1259863/Worlds-cleverest-man-turns-1million-prize-solving-mathematics-greatest-puzzles.html>

Thank You from YI9PSE / N6PSE (W6NRQ)

We received your generous donation of \$250 today in support of the YI9PSE DXpedition to Kurdistan. On behalf of the YI9PSE team, thank you for this donation. It really means a lot coming from California, where we know the need for YI is very high.

We will gladly add the Southern California DX Club logo to our sponsors page and our QSL cards. Please tell your membership to work us on many bands and modes!

Thank you again,

Paul N6PSE

The North American Center for Emergency Communications (W6NRQ)

Steve has received a letter from The North American Center for Emergency Communications (NACEC).

I am the Executive Director of The North American Center for Emergency Communications, Inc. (NACEC), a non-profit emergency communications organization, which is still based in Minnesota. This organization has been more or less dormant for about the last 10 years, but it is currently in the process of becoming very active. The mission of our organization, founded in 1992, was refocused in January 2010 to provide commercial communication support to large scale disaster areas here in the US and around the globe. We will accomplish this by providing field teams which will include commercial communications technicians who hold an FCC GROL or equivalent license and at least 5 years of experience. The field team will be equipped so they can provide commercial radio and digital communications systems to meet the immediate communications needs of the aid and relief organizations and agencies serving within the disaster area. The field team technicians, if needed, will also provide their technical skills to assist in bringing local communications systems back online. We expect this last item will be used more in developing countries.

From time to time during large disasters our field team technicians may benefit from the assistance of volunteers from the amateur radio community. We are looking for volunteers from the amateur radio community first because it is made up of individuals whose professions vary widely, from doctors and attorneys to auto mechanics and retired lumberjacks, yet who have many things in common with our commercial communications technicians and this organization. They share an interest in communications, electronics and a desire to be of service to others!

Can you bring our need for volunteers to the attention of your club's members? I have set up a special volunteer application form for use only by licensed amateur radio operators who wish to volunteer their time and skills to help our technicians bring communications back into large scale disaster areas. This application can be found at www.nacec.org/vol_app_ars.php

As we expand our organization and its capabilities, we hope that you and your club members will follow our progress and take an active role in our success. You can also follow us online if you wish. You will find links to our Twitter, FaceBook, and email following accounts on the lower left-hand side of most pages on our website, www.nacec.org

Should you have any questions I hope that you will contact me directly.

73

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2010 ARRL SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION CONVENTION

2010 ARRL Southwestern Division Amateur Radio Convention September 17, 18 & 19 San Diego, California



Four Points, By Sheraton Hotel San Diego

<http://www.sandarc.org/>

8110 Aero Drive, San Diego CA 92123 Phone: (858) 277-8888

Registration Form

Please list additional Attendees - ALL ATTENDEES MUST BE REGISTERED

No charge for Children 16 or under when Accompanied by a Registered Adult

How did you find out about the Convention?

☐ Radio ☐ Web search ☐ Ham Club ☐ News Paper ☐ Other _____

Call Sign: _____ Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip Code: _____ E-mail: _____

Kids / Adults Call Sign Name (please print)

Early Bird Dated before May 31, 2010	\$15.00 @ _____	ea. = \$ _____
Convention Pins Included (Limited Supplies)		
Pre Registration June 1, to Aug. 22, 2010	\$18.00 @ _____	ea. = \$ _____
At Door Registration	\$20.00 @ _____	ea. = \$ _____
Accompanied kids under 16 years Free		
DX Breakfast	\$23.00 @ _____	ea. = \$ _____
Banquet Tickets Dinner ☐ Beef ☐ Chicken ☐ Vegetable	\$43.00 @ _____	ea. = \$ _____
Banquet Speaker: To Be Announced		
Convention Lunch	\$25.00 @ _____	ea. = \$ _____
Lunch Speaker:		
2010 Convention Pins	\$ 5.00 @ _____	ea. = \$ _____
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Registration _____
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ARRL ANTENNA DEFENSE FUND

Announcing the formation of the Amateur Radio Antenna Defense Foundation

What is ARADF?

ARADF is a California corporation that has been approved by the Internal Revenue Service as a public charity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

What is the purpose of the Foundation?

ARADF was formed to encourage the retention and expansion of approved Amateur Radio antenna installations by helping fund litigation by Amateurs against local jurisdictions that fail to comply with federal and state antenna preemption statutes.

Where will the money to do this come from?

Funding for ARADF's activities will come from donations (generally tax-deductible) by Radio Amateurs and by friends of Amateur Radio, both individual and corporate.

Who runs the Foundation?

ARADF is run by a Board of Directors whose members include:

Marly Wolf N6VI, Leonard Shaffer WA6QHD, Art Goddard W6XD and Gayle Olson K6GO.
All directors of the Foundation serve without compensation.

How will ARADF support help Amateurs in antenna-unfriendly cities?

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Will contributions be earmarked for specific cases?

In order to preserve the deductible nature of contributions, all amounts received will be kept in a general fund. This also provides the most flexibility in selecting cases to be supported and deciding on the extent of that support.

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2010 IDXC - NOT LIKE ANY OTHER WEEKEND!



Start the Engines!
We are heading out!



Over the Grapevine
And through the valley...



...To Holiday Inn we go!
We have arrived!



We have tower sighting!



Check In



The Tribe has arrived!



We meet w/ Holiday Inn!



A foreboding assembly



A suspicious gathering!



Big Bubba's Bodacious Barbeque



Bubba Feast!



Bubba Raffles Off Big Bubba's Barbeque Sauce!



Another Impromptu Meeting



... and another



... and another



... and another

Question 1: Who says DXers are about DXing and the DX clubs are not. They're just social clubs?

Hint: Someone who is not in these pictures who doesn't consider the past 61 IDXC conventions to be social events. They're just serious DXers talking!



Last night cap



The prize room is set!



Registration is ready



Tickets are up and running!



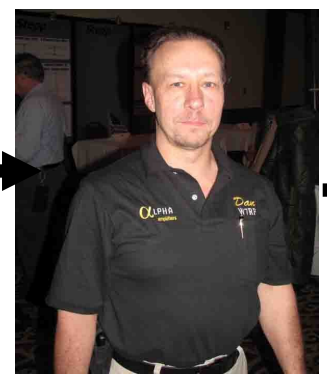
The vendors are ready!



Al is ready!



Larry loves Alpha ... Amps!



Radio Dan is now the α man!



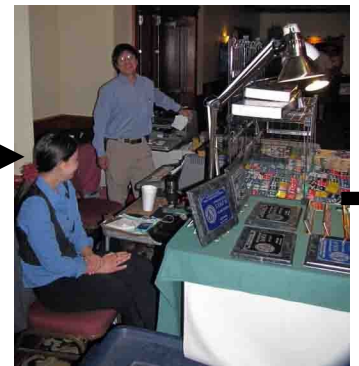
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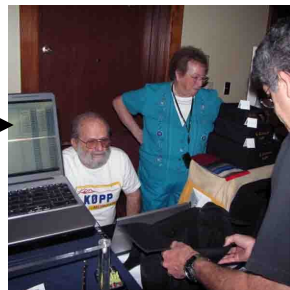
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Engravers



QRZ Engravings



Dust Covers



US Towers



No Fair Flexing



**Don is happy to be here!
We are happy Don is here!**



**Someone is camping at
the ticket barrel**



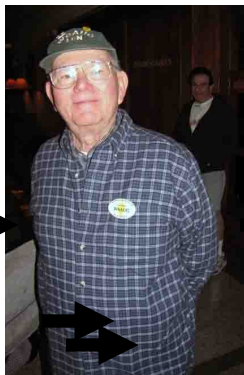
**First - timers collecting
signatures!**



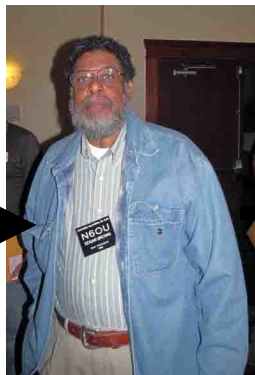
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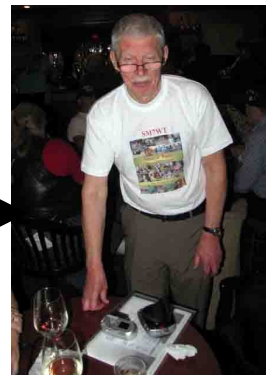
More Socializing



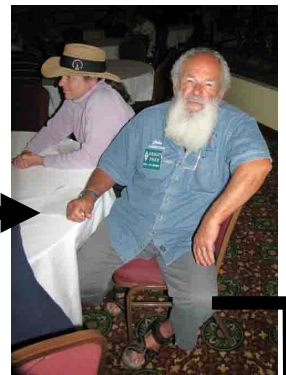
Len W6AUG



Edgar N6OU



Stan SM7WT



John T6EE



The Bar Crew!



Phyllis, our server, kept the drinks flowing and smiles go-



Thumbs Up!



Saturday morning kick-off



Larry welcomes everyone to the 2010 IDXC!



The house is full



Carl and Hector are ready on the wings



Let the tour begin!

Great job Marilyn and company!

Question 2: Was there enough to do and see during the week?

Question 3: Did it wear you out?

Question 4: Was the weather fine or what?





Early risers catch the CW Pile Up Contest



**K1DG takes top honors
Who's your daddy?**



First hourly drawing



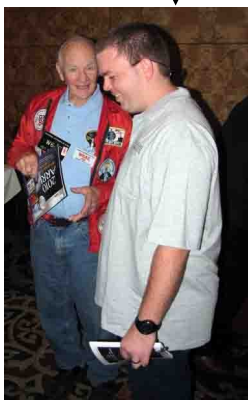
The prizes are waiting



Harvey is looking!



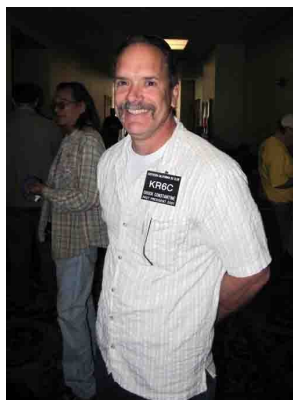
**Stan & Barry both first timers
and new to SCDXC meet Ernie!**



Red bends an ear



More happy campers!



Good to see Chuck



Phil, YB0ARA



**John, N6QQ
Quack... Quack Quack Quack!**



Question 5: Is there anyone on the planet that does not like BBQ?

Question 6: Was the weather great or what?

(OK ... I repeated myself! We may not have many days left. They all should be like Saturday!)

Question 7: Did you have to loosen your belt?

Question 8: Did you duck out of the afternoon forums to take a nap after all that food?



Another IDXC highlight is ARRL attended and sponsored card checking!
Thank you K7UT, The Utah DX Association, and ARRL for making it happen!

SCDXC past presidents still help out!
Bob, K6ZZ, checking cards!



Bill Moore, NC1L in the house!
Thanks Bill for your participation



Worlds fastest and most accurate
card checker, John, N6QQ.



Smile Harry!



Larry personally welcoming first
timer Marilyn to the convention!



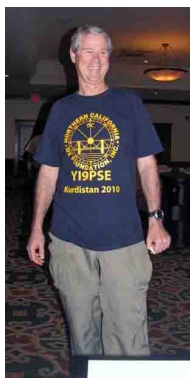
Can you name a DXpedition you worked
this year that NCDXF did not support?



When Charlie, W6KK, smiles
you know you have it right!



Mark, K6FG



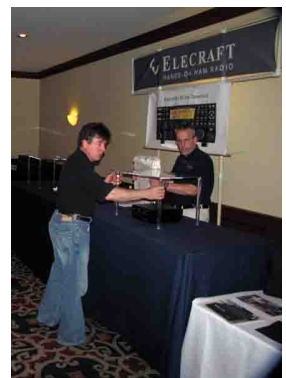
That shirt is a badge of
honor!
Well done YI9PSE Group!



Fried and Sandy



Art, W6XD & Ernie, N6HY
DXer of the Year



Elecraft

Question 9: The camaraderie and good times shared by all but the "serious DXers" was :
☐ very distracting ☐ distracting ☐ neutral ☐ aggravating ☐ very aggravating

Question 10: Was question 9 necessary? Let's take a show of hands... and smiles!



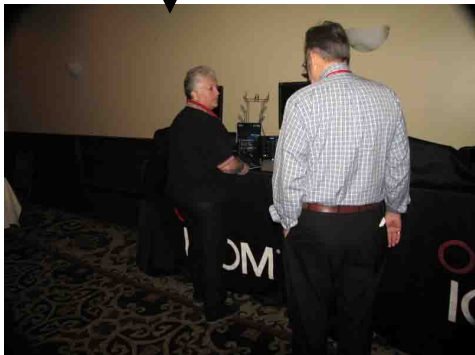
Bill, N6MXU, chatting with first timers



The DX Store!
Jim, N6DHz, past SCDXC president



Always good to see Hi-Q antennas!
Glad you are back Charlie!



ICOM, another great supporter of
IDXC (as well as HRO!)



Tom, W6HT
Pins & Patches



Attitude Adjustment!
First Load and then Tune



You can always trust a
man in a Panama suit!



Chairman Carl, WU6D, & Jim, W6YA
Jim is an ambidextrous contestor!



Yeah Baby! Groovy!
(Dan ... I still think you look like Bob Heill!)



Like every great gathering the topic
is DX!



Bill Moore, NC1L



Our Emcee John, K6AM



Remember first timers
Marilyn, KB6KKU and
Ken, KB6KKW?
They won!



Here we go with the banquet prizes!
Thanks to all the ladies who drew the
tickets!



**I can win too!
I just had to hug
Bob to get it out
of his hands!**



**Ernie knights George, KI6CG, with
the Hi-Q antenna prize!**



**Shipping a 6M beam to New
Zealand is how much?**



**Before you know it, breakfast
is here.**



Lost in memories and eggs



**Are you smarter than a DXer?
Beautiful painting.. TNX K6ARY**



**Breakfast is over and Brad, W6EA,
is taking in one last pause!**



Time to load up and hit the road!



**Another year, another great con-
vention, another beautiful day!**



**Before you know it we are almost
home and the best weekend this year
leaves us wanting more.**

There are several websites with photos and commentaries on the 2010 Visalia IDXC. Here are three of them. Please forward the links you have and we will put them in next months issue. Thanks for all the wonderful memories. It truly is the camaraderie that has kept the IDXC going for 61 years! That is us doing the best of what hams do the best! I think we will be going strong right up to the last man standing!

Thank you to all the donors and volunteers. Many were not included in the photo spread. Though hundreds of pictures were taken it would have required thousands to capture everyone of you! Next year we rest and enjoy the efforts of NCDXC and company. See you then!

W4ATL Blog

http://shermanbanks.net/Mary_and_Sherman_Web_Site/Blog/Entries/2010/4/19_Visalia_International_DX_Convention_-_April_16-18,_2010.html

XE2K Photos

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A Great Time with Great Friends



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IC 7700 Transceiver
Alpha 8410 Amplifier
M² KT34M2 Tri-band Yagi
Kenwood TS480SAT HF/6 Transceiver
Flex 1500 QRP SDR Transceiver
HI-Q Mobile Antenna w/ Accessories
LFA506 5 Element 6M Beam
M2 6M5X 5 Element 6M Beam
Daiwa CN801HP VSWR Meter
Yaesu FT950 HF/6 Transceiver
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Heil Quiet Phone Pro

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N6RV
W6PBF
KI6CG
ZL3TE
K6FG
NN6K
LA7QIA
K5KT
W6YOO

Sunday Breakfast

Yaesu FT2000 HF/6 Transceiver
US Towers MA40 40' Crank Up Mast
SteppIR 2Element 20-6m Yagi
Icom IC 7600 HF/6 Transceiver
WaveNode WN-2/HF1 Power Meter
CG Antenna CG5000 Automatic Antenna Tuner
Heil PR35 Microphone
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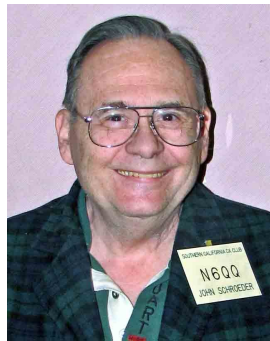
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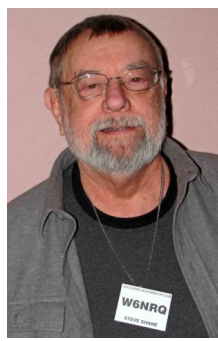
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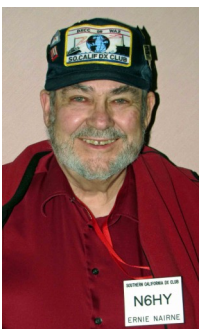
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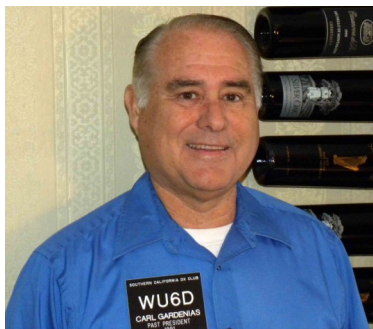
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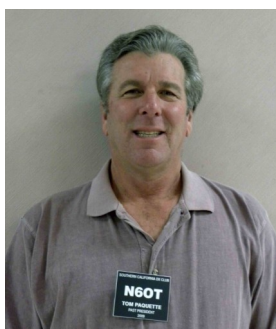
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